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This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated December 29, 2004, in connection with the above-identified application. The period for responding is extended by the attached petition. Applicants respectfully request consideration of the below remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-4, 8-18, 38-40, 48, 49 and 54-60 are pending. Claims 1-4, 8-18, 38-40, 48-49 and 54-60 are rejected. This response contains no claim or specification amendments. No new matter is added. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of all rejections, in view of the following remarks.